

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 5222

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by: (JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ASSAULT OF A SPORTS OFFICIAL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2005) (a) For the purposes of
- 2 this section, "sports official" means any person who officiates or
- 3 enforces the rules at an amateur or professional sporting or athletic
- 4 event including, but not limited to, an umpire, referee, judge,
- 5 timekeeper and scorer.
- 6 (b) A person is guilty of assault of a sports official when such
- 7 person, with intent to intimidate or harass, or to retaliate against,
- 8 another person on account of the performance by such other person of
- 9 such other person's duties as a sports official, causes physical injury to
- 10 such other person.
- 11 (c) Assault of a sports official is a class C felony.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2005	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To make the assault of an umpire, referee or other sports official a class C felony.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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